Don't waffle....continue to implement the law and appeal the recent The U.S. Court of Appeals in Washington D.C. vacation of parts of the Federal Communications Commission's Local Competition Order. Continue the fight for competition...local phone companies are monopolies....follow your vision which was posted 22 Jan 01...Don't waffle fight...

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FCC TAKES ACTION TO STRENGTHENS ITS ?LINE SHARING? RULES TO FURTHER PROMOTE COMPETITION FOR ADVANCED SERVICES

Commission Requires Local Phone Companies to Facilitate ?Line Splitting?

Washington, D.C. ? The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) adopted a Reconsideration Order and a Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking to further promote the competitive availability of unbundled access to the high frequency portion of the local loop, known as ?line sharing.? The Commission?s line sharing rules became effective last year and directed incumbent local exchange carriers (LECs) to share their telephone lines with competitive providers of high-speed Internet access, namely digital subscriber line (DSL) services. Line sharing eliminates the need for consumers to obtain a second phone line when they choose a company other than the incumbent LEC for high-speed access to the Internet.